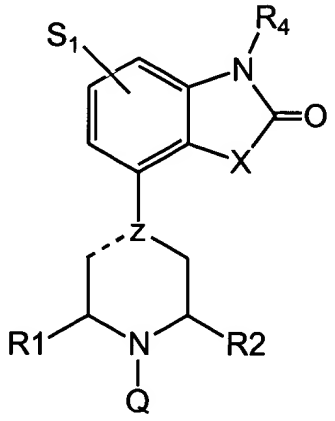
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Previously Presented) A compound having formula (I)



(I)

wherein

- S_1 is hydrogen, halogen, alkyl (1-3C), CN, CF_3, OCF3, SCF3, alkoxy (1-3C), amino or mono- or dialkyl (1-3C) substituted amino, or hydroxy,

- X represents NR_3, S, CH_2 or O, SO or SO_2, wherein R_3 is H or alkyl (1-3C),

- ...Z represents =C or -N,

- R_1 and R_2 independently represent H or alkyl (1-3C),

- R_4 is hydrogen or alkyl (1-3C),

- Q is methyl, ethyl, ethyl substituted with one or more fluorine atoms, or cyclopropylmethyl optionally substituted with one or more fluorine atoms, with the proviso that when S_1, R_1, R_2 and R_4 are hydrogen, ...Z is =C and Q is ethyl, X cannot represent CH_2,

and salts and prodrugs thereof,

wherein the prodrugs are chosen from compounds having the formula (I) in which N-R_4 is an amidine, enamine, Mannich base, hydroxy-methylene derivative, O-(acyloxymethylene carbamate) derivative, carbamate, or enaminone.

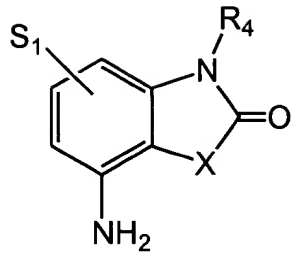
2. (Previously Presented) The compound as claimed in claim 1, wherein S_1, R_1, R_2 and R_4 are hydrogen, X represents oxygen, Q is methyl or ethyl and ...Z has the meaning given in claim 1.

3. (Previously Presented) The compound as claimed in claim 2, wherein .....Z represents -N.

4. (Previously Presented) The compound as claimed in claim 3 wherein Q is methyl.

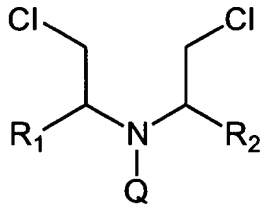
5. (Previously Presented) Method for the preparation of a compound as claimed in claim 1 comprising reacting a compound having formula (I) wherein Q is hydrogen, with a compound of the formula Q-Hal wherein Q is methyl, optionally fluorinated ethyl, or optionally fluorinated cyclopropylmethyl, and Hal is halogen, to yield the compound as claimed in claim 1.

6. (Previously Presented) Method for the preparation of a compound having formula (I) as claimed in claim 1 wherein ...Z represents -N comprising reacting a compound having formula (II)



(II)

with a compound having formula (III)

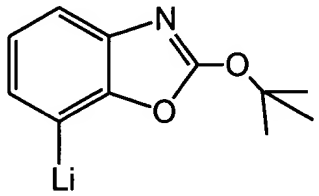


(III)

in which formulae the symbols have the meanings given in claim 1,

to yield the compound having formula (I).

7. (Previously Presented) Method for the preparation of a compound having formula (I) as claimed in claim 1 wherein .....Z represents =C, comprising reacting a compound having formula (IV)



(IV)

with a piperidone derivative which is optionally R_1 and/or R_2 substituted, and carries a group Q, followed by dehydration and deprotection,

to yield the compound having formula (I).

8. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective amount of at least one compound having formula (I) as claimed in claim 1, and at least one auxiliary substance.

9. (Currently Amended) Method of preparing a pharmaceutical composition, comprising bringing at least one compound having formula (I) as claimed in claim 1 and at least one auxiliary substance into a form suitable for administration to an animal patient.

10. (Previously Presented) A method of treating at least one CNS disorder, comprising administering at least one compound having formula (I) as claimed in claim 1 to an animal patient in need thereof in an amount effective for said treating, wherein the at least one CNS disorder is chosen from anxiety disorders, generalized anxiety, panic, obsessive compulsive disorder, depression, autism, schizophrenia, Parkinson's disease, and disturbances of cognition and memory.

11. (Previously Presented) A method of treating anxiety, depression, or a combination of anxiety and depression, comprising administering at least one compound having formula (I) as claimed in claim 1 to an animal patient in need thereof in an amount effective for said treating.

12. (Previously Presented) The compound as claimed in claim 1, wherein S_1, R_1, R_2 and R_4 are hydrogen, X represents oxygen, Q is methyl, ethyl, or cyclopropylmethyl.

13. (Previously Presented) The compound as claimed in claim 12, wherein Q is methyl.